

# **Volunteer Program**

At the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, we value our employees who dedicate themselves in protecting Virginia's natural resources. DEQ's Volunteer Program provides professional level work experience for anyone interested in pursuing a career in either environmental science or state government.

### Why This Volunteer Program?

- Gain experience working in a challenging and interesting position.
- Volunteer assignment that provides real work experience within a variety of disciplines and geographic areas.
- Expose a talented volunteer to DEQ's mission and programs.
- Work directly with a program manager to ensure experience contributes to studies, career goals, and developmental needs.
- Network with other employees.

#### When Are Volunteer Assignments Offered?

• Volunteer Assignments are available throughout the year.

## **Types of Volunteer Positions:**

• Science, environmental, and technical positions.

#### **Eligibility:**

- Must exhibit a genuine interest in learning about the Agency as well as gaining practical work experience.
- Pass a criminal background check.

#### **Contact Us:**

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